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HE WAS CRUDE, UNREFINED... A ROUGHNECK! BUT I LOVED HIM! HE HAD THE MISTAKEN NOTION THAT IT'S A SIGN OF WEAKNESS TO BE A GENTLEMAN... SO HE WALKED AROUND WITH A CHIP ON HIS SHOULDER, DEFENSIVE AND OFFENSIVE! HOW COULD I BRING TO MY HOME, TO MY PARENTS, THIS MAN I WANTED TO MARRY, THIS MAN I LOVED YET...

I Was Ashamed of Him





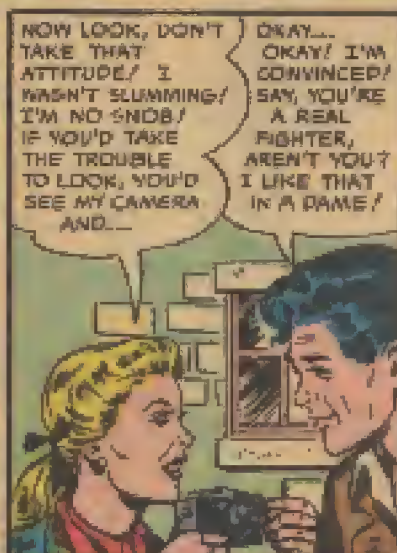
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IT ALL STARTED BECAUSE I'M A CAMERA BUG! I'D GONE TO A ROUGH TENEMENT NEIGHBORHOOD TO PHOTOGRAPH SOME VERY PICTURE-SQUE BUILDING FRONTS...



THIS WAS MY GALLANT RESCUER, A KNIGHT WITHOUT ARMOR! THIS WAS JOE... WHO STORMED INTO MY LIFE LIKE A SAVAGE FURY!



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AS WE WALKED, I LEARNED ALL ABOUT JOE HIGGINS. HIS LIFE AT THE ORPHANAGE, HIS IMPROVISED BOYHOOD...

HE DOES QUITE WELL, BUT DON'T GET THE IDEA WE'RE IN SOCIETY OR SWANK STUFF! YOUR OLD MAN MUST BE LOVED!



SOMEDAY, WHEN I'M BOSS OF MY OWN TRUCKING BUSINESS I'M GONNA GET MYSELF A BIG HOUSE! I'M GONNA BE A BIG SHOT SOMEDAY!

MAKE GOOD!



YOU'RE OWIN' JESSIE! I LIKE TALKIN' TO YOU! YOU GOT BRAINS! SAY, WOULD...WOULD I BE STEPPIN' OUTA LINE IF I ASKED YOU FOR A DATE? HOW'S ABOUT TOMORROW NIGHT?

ALL RIGHT, JOE!



NOW DON'T EXPECT ANYTHING PANCY! IF YOU GO OUT WITH ME YOU GO WHERE I TAKE YOU!

OF COURSE, JOE!

I TOLD YOU ONCE BEFORE...I'M NO NO SNOB! WHATEVER YOU SAY WILL BE FINE WITH ME!



JOE...I DON'T THINK YOU'D BETTER CALL FOR ME HERE...NOT YET! SUPPOSE I MEET YOU SOMEWHERE?



SURE! I UNDERSTAND!

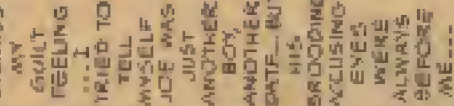


YES, JOE'S WURT FACE SHOWED ME HE UNDERSTOOD ONLY TOO WELL...THAT IN SPITE OF MY PROTESTS I WAS A SNOB!

I AM ASHAMED OF HIM! I DON'T WANT MY PARENTS TO KNOW I'M GOING OUT WITH HIM...AND JOE REALIZES IT!



I TRIED TO DISMISS MY GUILT FEELING...I TRIED TO TELL MYSELF JOE WAS JUST ANOTHER BOY, ANOTHER DATE...BUT HIS BROODING, ACCUSING EYES WERE ALWAYS BEFORE ME...



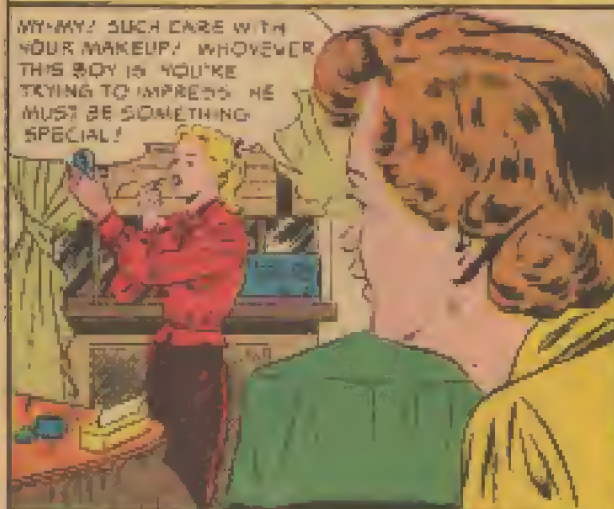
I WISH I COULD SLEEP!...HOW DO I KEEP THINKING ABOUT HIM?



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THE FOLLOWING NIGHT MY NERVES WERE ALL A-TINGLE WITH ANTICIPATION. MOTHER, WISELY SENSED IT...

MY-MY! SUCH CARE WITH YOUR MAKEUP! WHOEVER THIS BOY IS YOU'RE TRYING TO IMPRESS. HE MUST BE SOMETHING SPECIAL!



"SOMETHING SPECIAL"? I...I NEVER REALIZED IT BEFORE, BUT I GUESS HE IS!



SOON AFTER, I HURRIED TO OUR MEETING PLACE...



HELLO!

SAY, DON'T YOU LOOK FANCY! GUESS I SHOULD'VE BEDEIGNED MYSELF OUT TO GO WITH YOU!

WE'LL, IT IS PROPER FOR A YOUNG MAN TO WEAR A PRESSED SUIT AND TIE WHEN HE ESCORTS A YOUNG LADY... BUT IT DOESN'T MATTER! WHERE SHALL WE GO?

I GOT A PLACE ALL PICKED OUT! C MON!



TO MY DISMAY JOE TOOK ME TO A CHEAP, DIRTY LITTLE CAFETERIA IN THE WORST SECTION OF TOWN...

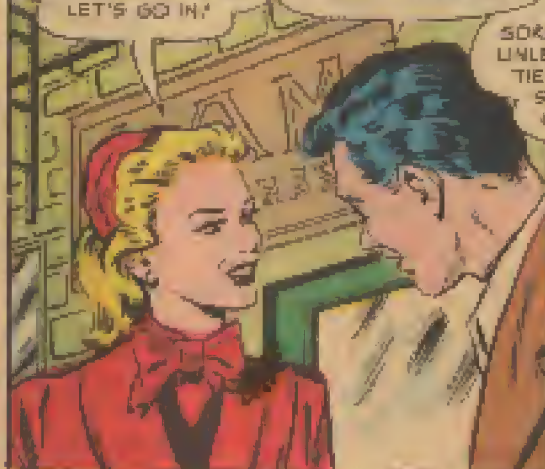


THIS IS IT! SURE YOU WANT TO GO IN?

JOE EARNS A GOOD SALARY AS A TRUCK DRIVER... HE CAN AFFORD BETTER THAN THIS! THEN WHY...? UNLESS IT'S A TEST... YES, HE'S TESTING ME TO SEE HOW I'LL REACT!

IF IT'S GOOD ENOUGH FOR YOU IT'S GOOD ENOUGH FOR ME! LET'S GO IN!

NAW... I... I GUESS WE OUGHTA GO SOMEWHERE ELSE!



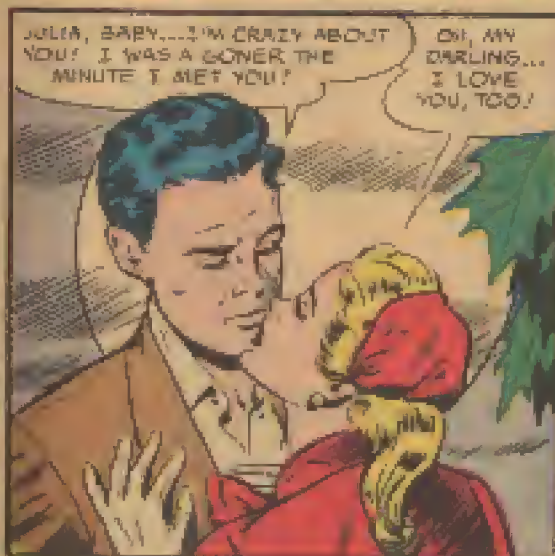
TO MY ASTONISHMENT, JOE WENT TO THE EXTREME AND TOOK ME TO A SMART NIGHTCLUB! BUT WE WERE STOPPED AT THE DOOR...

SORRY, SIR, BUT I CAN'T SEAT YOU UNLESS YOU WEAR A TIE! IM SORRY, SIR... BUT IT'S CUSTOMARY!

OH, YEAH? I AIN'T GOOD ENOUGH TO EAT IN YOUR CRUMMY JOINT, IS THAT IT?



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CUT IT, JULIA! I'M WISE TO WHY YOU MET ME ON THE CORNER / YOU WERE ASHAMED OF ME!

ALL RIGHT, JOE... I ADMIT IT! BUT IT WON'T HAPPEN AGAIN! YOU'LL COME TO DINNER TOMORROW NIGHT! I WANT THEM TO KNOW YOU AND LOVE YOU AS I DO!



BUT, DARLING, PLEASE BE ON YOUR BEST BEHAVIOR! AND HAVE YOUR SKIRT PRESSED... AND FOR HEAVEN'S SAKE, WEAR A TIE! I WANT YOU TO LOOK NICE! PLEASE?

OKAY, HONEY! WHEN YOU LOOK AT ME LIKE THAT I CAN'T REFUSE!

THE FOLLOWING NIGHT'S AGAIN CAUTIONED MOTHER AND DAD ABOUT THE MAN WHO WOULD BE THEIR SON-IN-LAW...



THERE'S THE DOORBELL NOW! NOW, PLEASE BE KIND TO HIM! HE TRIES TO BE TOUGH BUT HE'S VERY SENSITIVE, REALLY!

SURE, HONEY! IF YOU PICKED HIM, HE MUST BE AN ESSENTIALLY FINE FELLOW!

AS I EXPECTED MOTHER AND DAD SOON PUT JOE AT EASE! EVERYTHING WAS GOING ALONG FINE UNTIL DAD MADE AN UNFORTUNATE REMARK...



I HOPE WHEN YOU AND JULIA ARE MARRIED YOU'LL COME HERE TO LIVE UNTIL YOU CAN AFFORD YOUR OWN HOME! THIS IS A NICE NEIGHBORHOOD, WORTHWHILE PEOPLE...

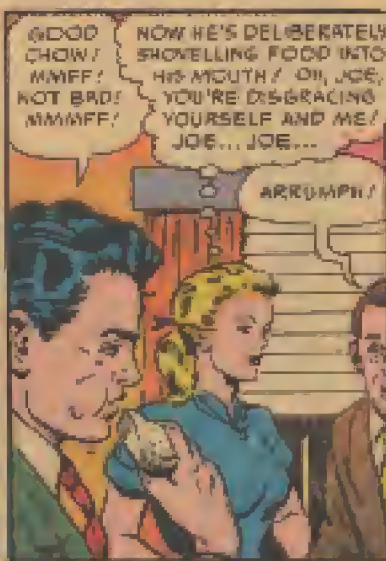
YEAH!!

DAD MEANT WELL, BUT JOE MISCONSTRUED HIS MEANING, TWISTING IT SO THAT IT SOUNDED LIKE A SLUR ON JOE'S BACKGROUND...



JOE'S GOT THAT DEFIANT LOOK ON HIS FACE AGAIN! HE'S GOING TO SHOW HIS CONTEMPT FOR MANNERS AGAIN...

SURE IS HOT IN HERE! THINK I'LL TAKE OFF MY TIE!



GOOD CHOW! MUMFF! NOT BAD! MUMFF!

NOW HE'S DELIBERATELY SHOVELLING FOOD INTO HIS MOUTH! OH, JOE, YOU'RE DISGRACING YOURSELF AND ME! JOE... JOE...

ARRUMPH!

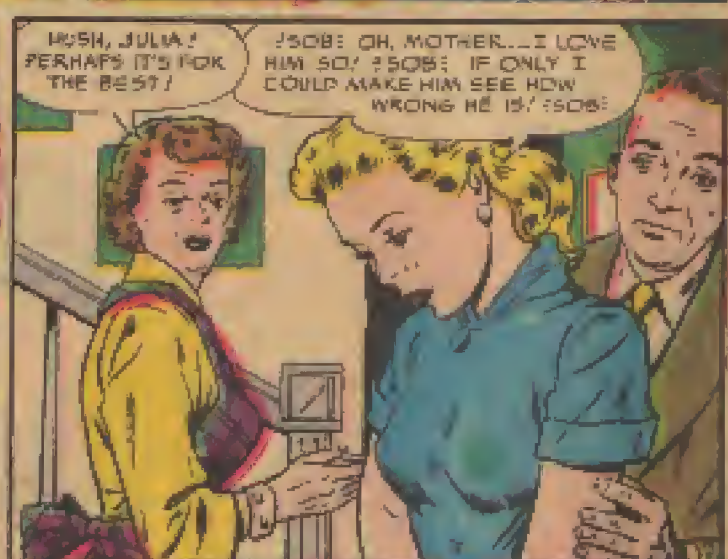
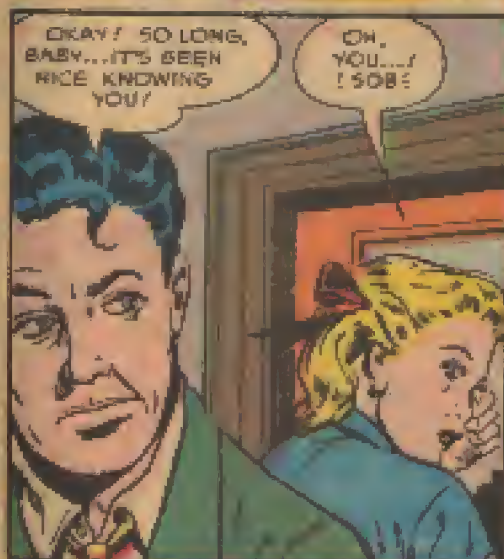
LATER, WHEN I LOOKED AT HIM FURIOUSLY, HE PRETENDED NOT TO UNDERSTAND MY MEANING...



I SUPPOSE YOU'RE SATISFIED THAT YOU'VE MADE A FOOL OF YOURSELF BEFORE MY PARENTS! OH, JOE, ...HOW COULD YOU?

I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT! MY, SURE IS A NICE NIGHT OUT!

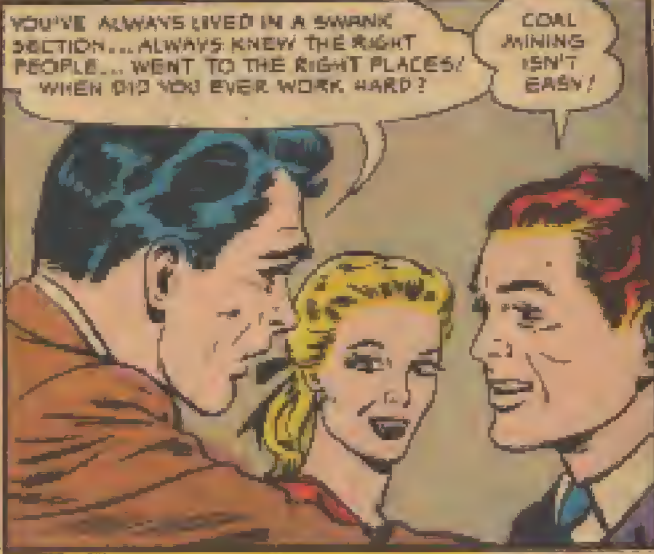
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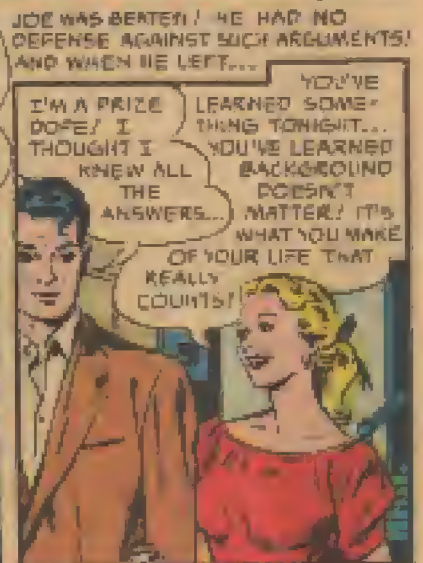
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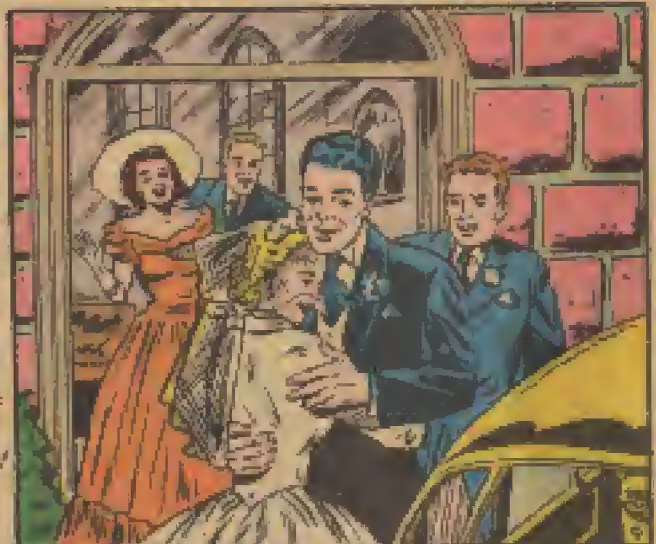
AS I ANTICIPATED, JOE WAS SUSPICIOUS OF MY WELL-MANNERED GUESTS! I KNEW HE WAS WAITING TO PICK AN ARGUMENT BECAUSE OF SOME IMAGINED SLUR! HIS CHANCE CAME...



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JOE KEPT HIS WORD, AND ONE DAY SOON AFTER, HE BECAME THE ONE MAN IN MY LIFE...THE MAN I WOULD ALWAYS BE PROUD TO INTRODUCE AS MY HUSBAND!



Which One For Me?



I ALWAYS WANTED TO RUN A SMALL-TOWN NEWSPAPER. AFTER I GRADUATED FROM JOURNALISM SCHOOL, I LAUNCHED MY DREAM... BUT NOT WITH MY FIANCE'S APPROVAL!

I CAN'T SEE WHY YOU WANT TO START A CAREER NOW, SHARON! I THOUGHT WE WERE GOING TO GET MARRIED!

NOT UNTIL I'VE GOTTEN THIS OUT OF MY SYSTEM, PAUL!

BUT MY ENGINEERING JOB IS MORE THAN ENOUGH TO SUPPORT US! YOU DON'T NEED THE INCOME!

INCOME? I'LL PROBABLY LOSE MONEY ON THE VENTURE BEFORE IT GETS ROLLING! BUT BEING AN EDITOR IS A DREAM I'VE HAD SINCE GRAMMAR SCHOOL!

OH, GREAT! AND WHERE DOES THAT LEAVE ME?

LET ME PUBLISH THE PAPER FOR A YEAR, PAUL! IF IT'S A FAILURE I'LL FORGET ALL ABOUT IT! IF IT SUCCEEDS, I'LL TURN IT OVER TO A MANAGER AND NEVER MENTION IT AGAIN!



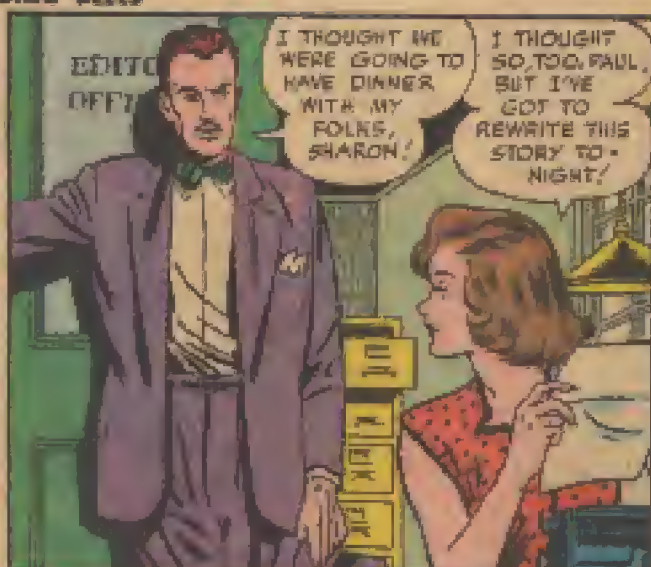
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I'LL BUY THAT! BUT, REMEMBER, SHARON... THAT'S A PROMISE!

HONEST MOUNTAIN, DARLING! I'M GIVING IT JUST ONE YEAR!

PAUL AGREED TO MY PLAN, BUT IN THE MONTHS THAT FOLLOWED, AS I STRUGGLED TO MAKE THE OAKVILLE OUTLOOK A SUCCESS, OUR QUARRELS BECAME MORE AND MORE FREQUENT!



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I THOUGHT WE WERE GOING TO HAVE DINNER WITH MY FOLKS, SHARON!

I THOUGHT SO, TOO, PAUL, BUT I'VE GOT TO REWRITE THIS STORY TONIGHT!



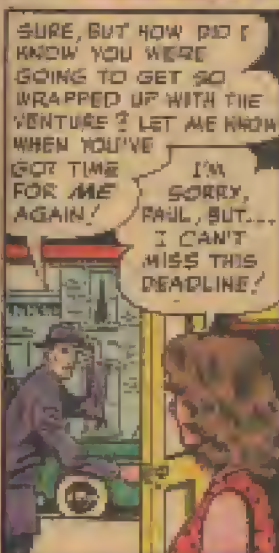
THIS IS THE THIRD TIME IN A WEEK THAT WE'VE HAD TO CHANGE OUR PLANS BECAUSE OF THIS BLASTED NEWSPAPER! AND YOU AREN'T EVEN BREAKING EVEN ON THE DEAL!

CAN I HELP IT IF I'M TOO BUSY WRITING COPY TO GO OUT AFTER ADVERTISING?



I'M NOT CONCERNED ABOUT HOW YOU RUN THE BUSINESS. ALL I KNOW IS THAT I'M TIRED OF PLAYING SECOND-FIDDLE TO A SILLY AMBITION!

WE MADE OUR AGREEMENT, DIDN'T WE, PAUL?



SURE, BUT HOW DID I KNOW YOU WERE GOING TO GET SO WRAPPED UP WITH THE VENTURE? LET ME KNOW WHEN YOU'VE GOT TIME FOR ME AGAIN!

I'M SORRY, PAUL, BUT... I CAN'T MISS THIS DEADLINE!



MAYBE PAUL WAS RIGHT! I WASN'T SHOWING ANY PROFIT AND IN ADDITION TO MY WASTED EFFORT, I WAS LOSING HIS LOVE! AND THEN, ONE DAY...

MISS ADAMS? BILL WALLACE IS MY NAME! YOUR OLD JOURNALISM PROF REFERRED ME TO YOU!

OH, YES, I'VE HEARD PROFESSOR DIEHL MENTION YOU! WHAT IN THE WORLD BRINGS YOU TO THIS FORSAKEN OUTPOST?



THE PROF SHOWED ME A COPY OF THIS PAPER YOU'RE PUBLISHING! IT'S A LIVELY LITTLE SHEET, BUT HONEY, I CAN SEE YOU DON'T KNOW THE FIRST THING ABOUT ADVERTISING!

OH, REALLY! AND I SUPPOSE YOU CAME ALL THE WAY OUT TO OAKVILLE TO TEACH ME!

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NOT EXACTLY! BUT IF YOU HIRED ME AS YOUR ADVERTISING MANAGER, WE COULD MAKE A REAL GO OF THIS PAPER! NO RESULTS, NO SALARY! IS THAT A DEAL?

I DON'T SEE HOW I CAN LOSE, MR. WALLACE!

EAGER AND SURE OF HIMSELF, BILL WALLACE'S EFFORTS TO PUT THE NEWSPAPER ON A PAYING BASIS HAD QUICK RESULTS! BUT HIS RELATIONSHIP WITH PAUL BECAME MORE STRAINED THAN EVER.

NOW DO YOU LIKE THIS, SHARON? A FULL-PAGE AD FROM GRAY'S DEPARTMENT STORE! AND THEY'RE SIGNING A YEAR'S CONTRACT!

WONDERFUL! ISN'T THAT GREAT, PAUL? BILL'S GOTTEN US ANOTHER NEW ACCOUNT!

I CAN HARDLY GO AHEAD, SHARON! LOOK! IF WE'RE GOING TO THAT SHOW, LET'S GET OUT OF HERE!

GO AHEAD, SHARON! I'LL COVER THAT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETING FOR YOU!

HE'S CALLING YOU BY YOUR FIRST NAME, EH? NEXT THING YOU KNOW, HE'LL BE HOLDING YOUR HAND WHILE YOU COVER THE LOCAL MOVIE!

PAUL, THAT ISN'T FAIR! BILL'S BEEN WORKING AWFULLY HARD, AND I CAN'T HELP RESPECTING HIM!

BUT WE'RE JUST... FRIENDS! I RESENT YOUR IMPLYING OTHER-WISE!

ALL RIGHT, SO I'M JEALOUS! I'VE GOT A RIGHT TO BE! YOU'RE THE GIRL I'M GOING TO MARRY AND THAT... PRO-MOTER SPENDS MORE TIME WITH YOU THAN I DO!

OH, PAUL, PLEASE DON'T KEEP FINDING FAULT! TO LISTEN TO US A PERSON WOULD NEVER DREAM THAT WE'RE IN... LOVE!

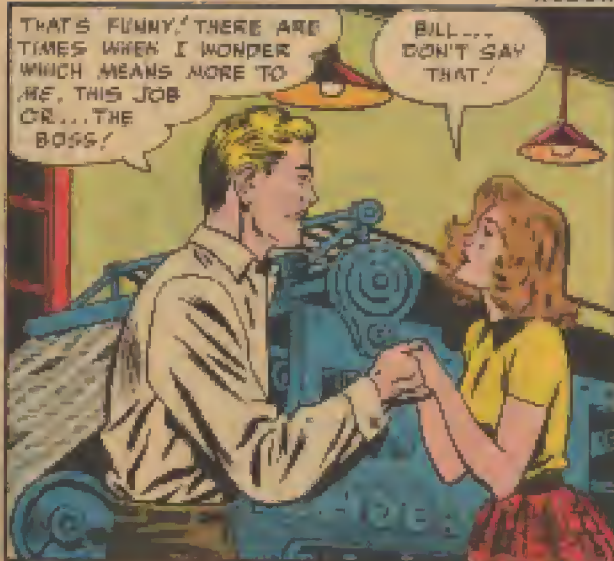
I DON'T KNOW ABOUT YOU, BUT I HAVE NO DOUBTS ABOUT MYSELF! I LOVE YOU MORE THAN EVER, SHARON!

I TRIED TO CONVINCE MYSELF THAT MY LOVE FOR PAUL WAS AS STRONG AS EVER! BUT I FOUND MY HANDS TREMBLING WHENEVER BILL WALLACE SPOKE TO ME, AND AS THE WEEKS WENT BY I KNEW IT WAS USELESS TO PRETEND I WASN'T FALLING FOR HIM!

ARE YOU SURE YOU WOULDN'T RATHER BE OUT WITH THE BOYFRIEND, SHARON? YOU'VE BEEN WORKING NIGHTS TOO OFTEN, LATELY!

I LIKE BEING HERE, BILL! SOMETIMES I WONDER IF THE PAPER ISN'T MORE IMPORTANT TO ME THAN PAUL!

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THAT'S FUNNY, THERE ARE TIMES WHEN I WONDER WHICH MEANS MORE TO ME, THIS JOB OR... THE BOSS!

BILL... DON'T SAY THAT!



BILL DIDN'T HAVE TO SAY ANYMORE!



And THEN, WITH EQUAL SUDDENNESS...

A LOT OF RIGHT I'VE GOT TO DO THAT! I'M SORRY, SHARON! I LOVE YOU, BUT I HOPE YOU'LL FORGET THIS EVER HAPPENED!

I'LL... HAVE TO... BILL! BUT DON'T BLAME YOURSELF!



I'M THE ONE WHO'S PROMISED TO MARRY SOMEONE ELSE! AND... I WANTED YOU TO KISS ME!

IF YOU'RE EVER FREE AND WANT ME TO KISS YOU AGAIN, SHARON... I'LL BE BACK!



YOU... YOU AREN'T QUITTING, BILL?

I COULDN'T STAY HERE FEELING THIS WAY ABOUT YOU, HONEY! YOU'RE ENGAGED TO A WONDERFUL GUY! IF I WERE IN HIS PLACE I'D BE JEALOUS, TOO!



It WAS HEARTBREAKING TO THINK I MIGHT NEVER SEE BILL AGAIN, AND IT HURT TO THINK OF GIVING UP THE DREAM WE HAD LEARNED TO SHARE! BUT I COULDN'T BE DISLOYAL TO PAUL! THAT NIGHT I TOLD HIM OF MY DECISION!

WE DON'T HAVE TO WAIT ANY LONGER, PAUL! I'M GIVING UP THE PAPER!

YOU MEAN YOU AREN'T GOING TO FINISH OUT THE YEARS?



DON'T MISUNDERSTAND... I'M PLEASED AS PUNCH, DARLING, BUT ISN'T THIS RATHER ABRUPT?

IT'S BEEN NOTHING BUT A HEADACHE, PAUL! I HATE TO SEE MY WORK COMING BETWEEN US!

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I'LL HAVE TO RUN A FEW MORE ISSUES TO FULFILL OBLIGATIONS TO THE ADVERTISERS, BUT AS SOON AS THAT'S FINISHED, WE... CAN GET MARRIED!

THAT'S THE BEST NEWS I'VE HEARD IN MY LIFE, SHARON!

Bill AND I BARELY SPOKE TO EACH OTHER AS WE MADE PREPARATIONS TO CLOSE THE OFFICE, BUT I COULD SEE THE SAME HURT LOOK IN HIS EYES THAT REFLECTED FROM MINE!

WHERE WILL YOU GO AFTER YOU'RE THROUGH HERE, BILL? HAVE YOU...THOUGHT ABOUT ANOTHER JOB?

NOT YET! SOMEHOW, I HATE EVEN TO THINK ABOUT ANOTHER PAPER!



I SORT OF FOUND MY NICHE HERE! BUT...IT'S ONE OF THOSE THINGS! LET'S KEEP BUSY AND FORGET ABOUT IT, SHALL WE?

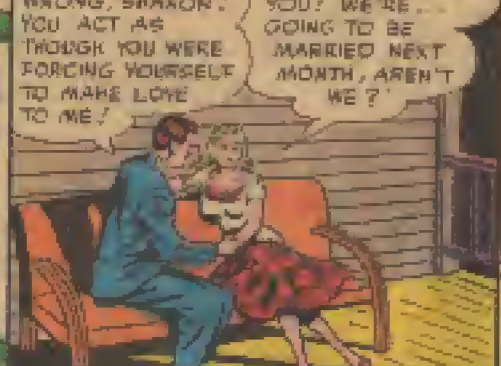
YES, BILL... LET'S FORGET ABOUT IT!

BUT I WON'T FORGET, BILL! I'LL REMEMBER AND LOVE YOU AS LONG AS I LIVE! AND YET I CAN'T HURT PAUL... NOT AFTER HE'S LOVED AND TRUSTED ME SO LONG!

NO, I COULDN'T HURT PAUL! BUT THOUGH I COULDN'T BRING MYSELF TO TELL THE TRUTH, HE MUST HAVE FOUND THE ANSWER ON MY LIPS EACH TIME HE KISSED ME!

SOMETHING'S WRONG, SHARON! YOU ACT AS THOUGH YOU WERE FORCING YOURSELF TO MAKE LOVE TO ME!

OF COURSE NOT, PAUL! I LOVE YOU! WE'RE GOING TO BE MARRIED NEXT MONTH, AREN'T WE?

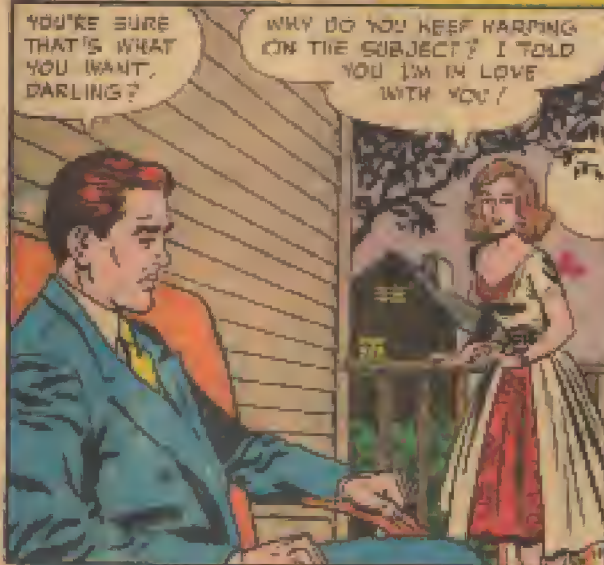


YOU'RE SURE THAT'S WHAT YOU WANT, DARLING?

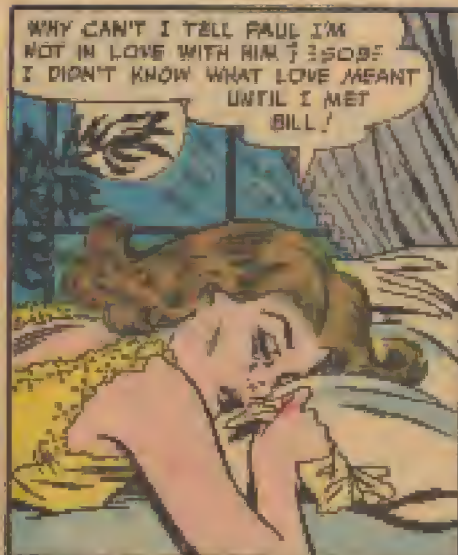
WHY DO YOU KEEP HARRING ON THE SUBJECT? I TOLD YOU I'M IN LOVE WITH YOU!

I'VE GIVEN UP THE PAPER! BILL'S LEAVING! WHAT MORE DO YOU WANT?

MORE THAN ANYTHING ELSE IN THE WORLD, SHARON, I...! WANT TO SEE YOU HAPPY! AT ANY COST!



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WHY CAN'T I TELL PAUL I'M NOT IN LOVE WITH HIM? SOME I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT LOVE MEANT UNTIL I MET BILL!

TOOK BY ANGUISH, I WENT DOWN TO CLOSE THE OFFICE THE DAY THE FINAL EDITION OF THE OUTLOOK CAME OUT! PAUL MET ME THERE, AND SECRETLY I PRAYED THAT BILL WOULD STAY AWAY AND SPARE ME THE MISERY OF SAYING GOOD-BYE TO HIM!



I GUESS EVERYTHING'S IN ORDER, PAUL. I'LL TURN THE KEYS OVER TO THE REAL ESTATE OFFICE AND THEN IT'S ALL OVER!

NOT QUITE, SHARON!



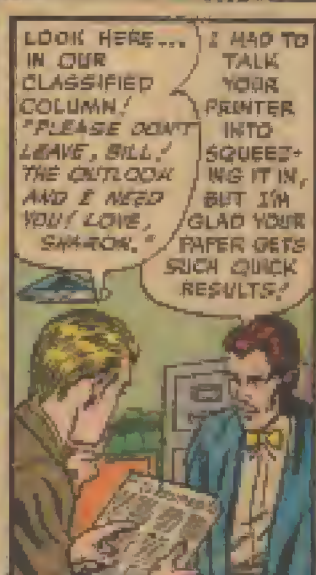
YOU HAVEN'T SAID GOODBYE TO YOUR STAFF YET!

BILL! I DIDN'T THINK YOU'D BE HERE THIS MORNING!



YOU KNEW I COULDN'T STAY AWAY AFTER SEEING YOUR AD, HONEY! OH, SHARON, THIS IS WHAT I HOPED WOULD HAPPEN!

AD? BUT... I DIDN'T RUN ANY AD, BILL?



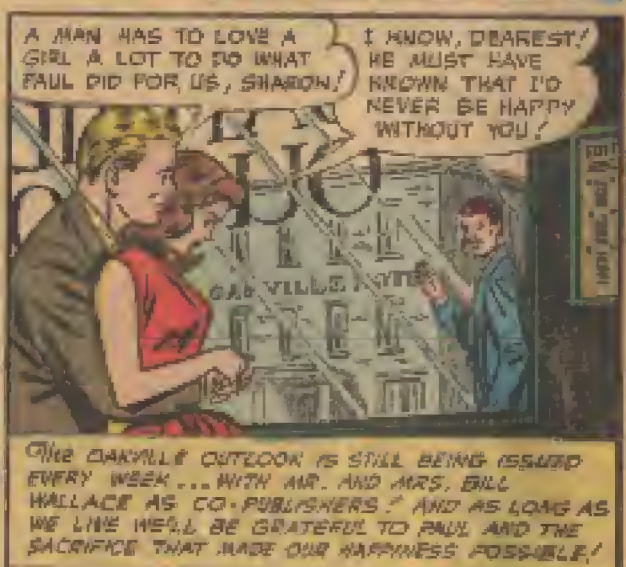
LOOK HERE... IN OUR CLASSIFIED COLUMN! "PLEASE DON'T LEAVE, BILL! THE OUTLOOK AND I NEED YOU! LOVE, SHARON."

I HAD TO TALK YOUR PRINTER INTO SQUEEZING IT IN, BUT I'M GLAD YOUR PAPER GETS SUCH QUICK RESULTS!



OH, PAUL, I... I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO SAY OR HOW TO THANK YOU!

I TOLD YOU I WANTED YOU TO BE HAPPY, SHARON! YOU AND BILL HAVE A GREAT FUTURE HERE TOGETHER AND I'M NOT GOING TO STAND IN YOUR WAY! I KNEW HOW YOU FELT ABOUT BILL FOR A LONG TIME... I ALSO REALIZED THAT WE COULD NEVER MAKE A GO OF IT TOGETHER!



A MAN HAS TO LOVE A GIRL A LOT TO DO WHAT PAUL DID FOR US, SHARON!

I KNOW, DEAREST! HE MUST HAVE KNOWN THAT I'D NEVER BE HAPPY WITHOUT YOU!

THE OAKVILLE OUTLOOK IS STILL BEING ISSUED EVERY WEEK... WITH MR. AND MRS. BILL WALLACE AS CO-PUBLISHERS! AND AS LONG AS WE LIVE WE'LL BE GRATEFUL TO PAUL AND THE SACRIFICE THAT MADE OUR HAPPINESS POSSIBLE!

Don't Say Goodbye Sergeant

THERE WERE MORNINGS WHEN WARM SUNLIGHT POURED THROUGH THE WINDOWS OF THE ARMY HOSPITAL IN TOKYO AND ALMOST MADE ME FORGET THAT NOT FAR AWAY MEN WERE SERVING AND LONELY! BUT IF SUNSHINE FLOODED THE WARD IN WHICH SGT. DAVID ALLEN SPENT THE LONG, BITTER DAYS, HE WASN'T AWARE OF IT! BLINDED BY SHOCK OF AN EXPLOSION! HE GROPED IN A DARK WORLD THAT TRIED TO SHUT ME OUT, BUT IN VAIN! FOR LOVE HAS A WAY OF CREEPING IN EVEN WHEN IT ISN'T WANTED! AND ALTHOUGH DAVID STRUGGLED AGAINST WHAT HE FEARED WAS MY PITY, I MYSELF COULDN'T DESTROY THE LOVE THAT POSSESSED ME!



I TOLD YOU I LOVED YOU, DAVID! I CAN'T SAY ANYMORE!

YOU AREN'T IN LOVE WITH ME, DORIS! AND I DON'T WANT YOUR SYMPATHY!

I THINK DR. WESLEY KNEW ABOUT MY LOVE FOR DAVID LONG BEFORE ANYONE ELSE IN THE HOSPITAL!

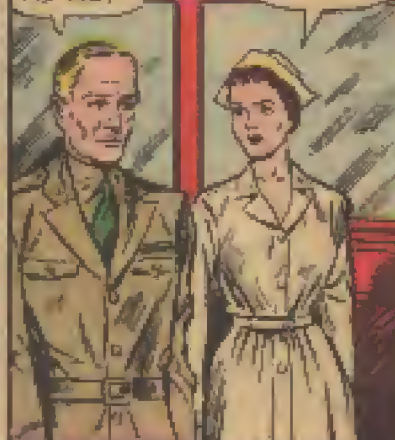
I'VE RARELY KNOWN A PATIENT WITH DAVID ALLEN'S COURAGE! I WISH THERE WAS SOMETHING MORE WE COULD DO!

THERE'S HOPE FOR HIM, THEN! SOMEDAY HE'LL SEE AGAIN!



THAT'S A QUESTION I WISH I COULD ANSWER, DORIS! FOR YOUR SAKE AS WELL AS HIS!

FOR MY SAKE, DR. WESLEY?



I'VE KNOWN YOU A LONG, LONG TIME, DORIS! YOU WERE JUST A STUDENT NURSE BACK IN THE STATES THE FIRST TIME I TEASED YOU ABOUT FALLING IN LOVE WITH A PATIENT! I WAS ONLY TEASING THEN...

BUT I'M SERIOUS NOW!

AND AS USUAL YOU'RE RIGHT! HE DOESN'T EVEN SUSPECT IT... BUT I LOVE DAVID MORE THAN I LOVE MY LIFE!



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YES, IT WAS A SECRET THAT ONLY DR. WESLEY AND I SHARED! BUT THE DAY CAME WHEN DAVID HAD TO LEARN OF THE TURMOIL IN MY HEART!

"... AND I HAVE BEEN FEELING GREAT! IF IT WASN'T FOR MY SPRAINED WRIST, I WOULD BE WRITING THIS MYSELF INSTEAD OF DICTATING TO A PRETTY NURSE!"

DAVID... WHY DON'T YOU TELL YOUR FOLKS THE TRUTH?



I GUESS THEY'LL FIND OUT SOONER OR LATER! BUT I KEEP PUTTING IT OFF! YOU DON'T KNOW HOW I HATE TO HURT THEM, DORIS!

YOU THINK ABOUT EVERYONE BUT YOURSELF, DON'T YOU?



THANKED BY DAVID'S COURAGE AND CONSIDERATION, I OBEYED AN IMPULSE THAT HAD COME TO ME MANY TIMES BEFORE.

YOU'RE WONDERFUL, DAVID! THERE AREN'T MANY LIKE YOU!

DORIS... DON'T KISS ME! DON'T COME THIS CLOSE TO ME!



BECAUSE WHEN YOU DO, I CAN'T HELP MYSELF! I WANT TO HOLD YOU CLOSE AND NEVER LET YOU GO!

DAVID... OH, DAVID, MY DARLING!



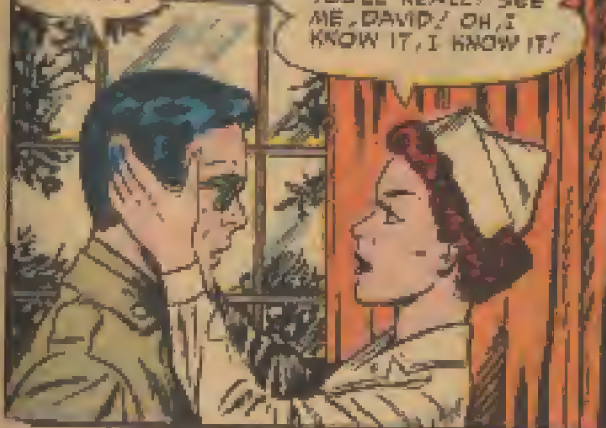
I HAVEN'T THE RIGHT TO TELL YOU THIS, BUT I LOVE YOU! YOU'RE LIKE AN ANGEL IN THE DARKNESS AND I LOVE YOU!

AND I LOVE YOU, DAVID! YOU DON'T KNOW HOW MANY TIMES I'VE DREAMED ABOUT BEING IN YOUR ARMS LIKE THIS!



DON'T BELIEVE THEM WHEN THEY SAY THAT I CAN'T SEE YOU, DORIS! I KNOW YOUR EYES ARE LOVELY AND DEEP AND YOUR LIPS ARE SWEET AND WARM!

AND SOMEDAY YOU'LL REALLY SEE ME, DAVID! OH, I KNOW IT, I KNOW IT!



BUT WHETHER I KNEW IT OR JUST PRAYED FOR A MIRACLE, ONE THING WAS CERTAIN! NO MAN HAD EVER THRILLED ME AS HE DID... AND NO MAN WOULD EVER BE LOVED THE WAY I LOVED DAVID THEN!



WEDDING BELLS

IF YOU'VE EVER BEEN IN LOVE, COMPLETELY AND DEVOTELY, YOU KNOW HOW LIFE BECOMES A NEW, GLORIOUS EXPERIENCE WHEN YOU DISCOVER THAT YOUR LOVE IS RETURNED! BUT AS WEEKS WENT BY, ONE CLOUD ALARMED MY HAPPINESS!

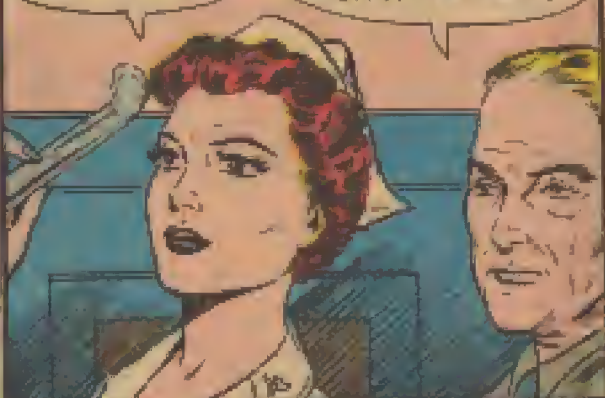
HOW'S OUR IDEAL ROMANCE COMING ALONG THESE DAYS, DORIS? DECIDED ON A HONEYMOON SPOT YET?

THERE HASN'T BEEN ANY TALK ABOUT A HONEYMOON, DOCTOR WESLEY!



I DON'T DOUBT THAT HE LOVES ME! DAVID COULDN'T MAKE ME BELIEVE THAT IF IT WASN'T SO! BUT I OFTEN WONDER!

WONDER WHY HE HASN'T ASKED YOU TO MARRY HIM? THINK OF IT THIS WAY, DORIS! MAYBE HE'S AFRAID TO ASK! MAYBE HE FIGURES HE CAN'T OFFER YOU MUCH!



BUT THAT DOESN'T MATTER TO ME! NOTHING WOULD MATTER IF I COULD JUST BE WITH HIM FOR THE REST OF MY LIFE!

IF YOU'RE SURE OF THAT, STOP WAITING FOR HIM TO PROPOSE, GIRL! ASK HIM YOURSELF! AND GOOD LUCK!



DOCTOR WESLEY'S ADVICE WAS ALWAYS WORTH FOLLOWING! AND THAT AFTERNOON I DECIDED TO FIND OUT WHY DAVID HADN'T EVER MENTIONED MARRIAGE!

THEY TELL ME YOUR DISCHARGE IS DUE ANY DAY NOW! YOU'LL BE GOING HOME, DAVID!

WHAT ABOUT YOU? YOUR WITCH WON'T BE OVER FOR ANOTHER EIGHT MONTHS!



WE'D BE SEPARATED FOR THAT LONG, DAVID! BUT IT WOULDN'T SEEM SO ENDLESS IF... IF WE BELONGED TO EACH OTHER! I MEAN... REALLY BELONGED TO EACH OTHER!

I WAS HOPEING YOU WOULDN'T BRING THAT UP! IT'S... OUT OF THE QUESTION, OF COURSE!



TODAY YOU THINK YOU'RE IN LOVE WITH ME! BUT WHAT HAPPENS WHEN THE THRILL WEARS OFF AND YOU DISCOVER IT WAS JUST SYMPATHY? I COULDN'T STAND THAT, DORIS!

BUT IT ISN'T SYMPATHY, DARLING! I'VE FELT THAT FOR EVERY PATIENT FOR YEARS! BUT I'VE NEVER LOVED ANY ONE BUT YOU!



I'M SORRY IF I'VE HURT YOU, DORIS! BUT I KNOW WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT AND I WON'T CHANGE MY MIND! AND SOMEDAY YOU'LL THANK ME FOR IT!

NO! NO, I WON'T, DAVID! ALL MY LIFE I'LL REGRET THIS MOMENT!



WEDDING BELLS

IT WAS LIKE SOME CHASTLY DREAM! DAVID WOULD NEVER BELONG TO ME, AND WITHOUT HIM MY LIFE WAS MEANINGLESS! I COULDN'T BEAR TO BE WITH HIM, KNOWING THAT, AND SO...

OF COURSE WE CAN TRANSFER YOU TO ANOTHER WARD, PORIS! BUT WHY?

I CAN'T STAND BEING WITH DAVID, DR. WESLEY! I'VE LOST HIM... NOW ALL I CAN DO IS TRY TO FORGET!



AND FORGETTING WAS IMPOSSIBLE!

WHY DO I KEEP WALKING PAST HIS ROOM, HOPING I'LL CATCH A GLIMPSE OF HIM? WHY DO I TORTURE MYSELF THIS WAY? OH, DAVID, WHY DON'T THEY SEND YOU HOME SO I CAN ERASE YOU FROM MY MIND?



And ONE DAY!

I HEAR SGT. ALLEN IS BEING FLOWN TO THE STATES FOR TREATMENT AND DISCHARGE! I SUPPOSE YOU'LL WANT TO SAY GOODBYE TO HIM!

WHEN, MISS SIMMS? WHEN WILL HE BE LEAVING?



THIS AFTERNOON! HE'S BEEN FEELING MISERABLE EVER SINCE THEY TOLD HIM! WHY DON'T YOU GO IN AND TALK TO HIM?

I COULDN'T! IT WOULD BE LIKE TEARING MY HEART OUT TO SAY GOODBYE TO DAVID!



I WON'T SAY GOODBYE! IF I HAVE TO REMEMBER DAVID, I'LL REMEMBER THE HAPPY MOMENTS!

I'M SORRY, I MENTIONED IT, MISS CRAVEN!

I'LL TELL HIM THAT WHEN HE ASKS ABOUT YOU!



OH, DAVID, DAVID, WHY WON'T YOU LET ME LOVE YOU AND CARE FOR YOU? SORRY! WE'LL NEVER BE HAPPY WITHOUT EACH OTHER... AND NOW IT'S ALL OVER!



BUT AS THE LAUGHED SOBS RATCHED MY BODY,

PORIS... THERE'S SOMEONE HERE TO SAY GOODBYE TO YOU!

DAVID! OH, DAVID DON'T ASK ME TO DO THAT!



WEDDING BELLS

DOCTOR WESLEY LEFT THE ROOM QUIETLY, WITHOUT ANOTHER WORD! AND THEN I WAS ALONE WITH DAVID, STRUGGLING TO HOLD BACK THE TEARS AS HIS CARRIING FINGERS SEARCHED MY FACE!

I COULDN'T LEAVE WITHOUT TELLING YOU I'M SORRY, DARLING! I HAD TO BE WITH YOU ONCE MORE!



SORRY, DAVID? YOU OUGHT TO BE HAPPY! YOU'RE GOING HOME!

NO! NO, FOR THE REST OF MY DAYS I'LL REGRET NOT KNOWING... NEVER BEING SURE THAT I MADE THE RIGHT DECISION! IF IT WASN'T FOR THAT DOUBT, THE FEAR THAT YOU FEEL SORRY FOR ME, THINGS WOULD BE DIFFERENT. WOULDN'T THEY?



THAT WAS THE MOMENT! EITHER I SEIZED THE MOMENT OR I WOULD SPEND THE REST OF MY LIFE IN TORTURE! AND THEN I REMEMBERED SOMETHING THAT DR. WESLEY HAD TOLD ME THE DAY THEY BROUGHT DAVID INTO MY WARD!



HIS BLINDNESS WAS THE RESULT OF AN EMOTIONAL SHOCK... AFTER SEEING ONE OF HIS BUDDIES KILLED! THERE'S NOTHING WRONG WITH THE OPTIC NERVE! ANOTHER SHOCK SUCH AS THAT... SOME DAY MIGHT BE HIS SALVATION!

I'LL ALWAYS LOVE YOU, DORIS! YEARS FROM TODAY, WHEREVER I AM, YOU'LL KNOW THAT I LOVE YOU!

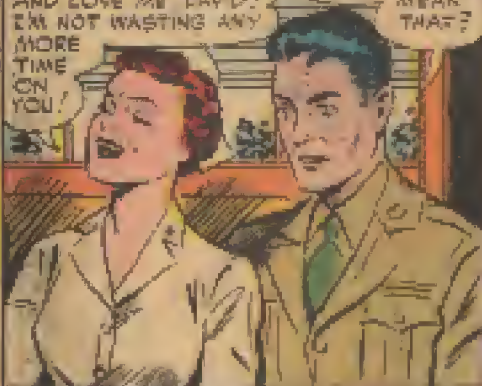
IF I FAIL IN THIS, YOU'LL GO AWAY HATING ME, DAVID! BUT I'VE GOT TO TRY! I'VE GOT TO!



ONE SUDDENLY, HYSTERICALLY, I BEGAN TO LAUGH! I SAW DAVID'S FACE TURN WHITE AND HIS MUSCLES TURN RIGID AS I THREW OUT THE POISONOUS WORDS BUT I COULDN'T STOP!

HA, HA! YOU GO AHEAD AND LOVE ME DAVID! I'M NOT WASTING ANY MORE TIME ON YOU!

DORIS! YOU... YOU DON'T MEAN THAT?



DON'T I? CAN'T YOU UNDERSTAND YOU WERE A FLING? NURSES HAVE TO AMUSE THEMSELVES SOME WAY WHEN THEY'RE TIED DOWN TO HOPELESS CASES! BUT YOU DIDN'T HONESTLY THINK I WAS SERIOUS ABOUT WANTING TO MARRY YOU?



WOULDN'T I BE A FOOL TO TIE MYSELF DOWN TO A MAN WHO WON'T EVER LIVE A NORMAL LIFE? YOU THINK I'D SPEND THE REST OF MY LIFE SUPPORTING A BLIND MAN? HA, HA!

DORIS!



WEDDING BILLS



YOU'RE LYING!
YOU AREN'T
TELLING THE
TRUTH!

DON'T BE A FOOL! YOU
WERE RIGHT WHEN YOU
SAID I ONLY FELT SORRY
FOR YOU!



I DO! I FEEL SORRY
FOR YOU! BUT I'M NOT
CRAZY ENOUGH TO BE IN
LOVE WITH YOU!

STOP! STOP, I CAN'T
LISTEN TO ANY
MORE!



WELL, IT SERVES YOU RIGHT FOR TAKING
ME SERIOUSLY! AND ALL THE TIME I
WAS LAUGHING AT YOU! LAUGHING
AT YOU!

NO!
NO!

MY
HEART
WAS BEAT-
ING LIKE A
THING GONE
MAD! "OH,
DAVID, I
WANTED TO
CRY, 'IT'S
NOT TRUE!
I LOVE YOU!
I LOVE YOU!'!
BUT IN THE
TERRIFYING
SILENCE
THAT
FOLLOWED,
I COULD
ONLY BE
GRATEFUL
THAT DAVID
DID NOT SEE
MY TEARS!



I FAILED! I FAILED AND
WE'LL GO AWAY THINKING
I LAUGHED AT HIM!



WELL...WHY DON'T
YOU SAY SOMETHING?
WHY DON'T YOU SAY
SOMETHING, DAVID?

THE
ROOM...
I...MY
HEAD IS
SPINNING
AND...



DOCTOR! DR.
WESLEY! HURRY!

WHAT IS IT,
DORIS?
WHAT'S
WRONG?



DAVID! WHAT
HAVE I DONE?
WHAT HAVE I
DONE?

IT'S CLEARING
AWAY! THE
MIST! IT'S ALL
CLEARING AWAY
AND...I
CAN...I CAN
SEE!

WEDDING BILLS

EASY, SON! DORIS, PULL THOSE BLINDS! WE DON'T WANT THE SUDDEN LIGHT TO HURT HIM!

SHE SAID SHE... WAS LAUGHING AT ME! I DON'T WANT TO SEE HER! I DON'T WANT TO SEE HER!



DAVID... LOOK AT HER! LOOK AT HER, SON!

I... I CAN ONLY MAKE OUT A SHADOW! ARE YOU STILL LAUGHING, DORIS? I CAN'T TELL!



And, suddenly, like the sun emerging from behind a black cloud, we knew that my face was before him!

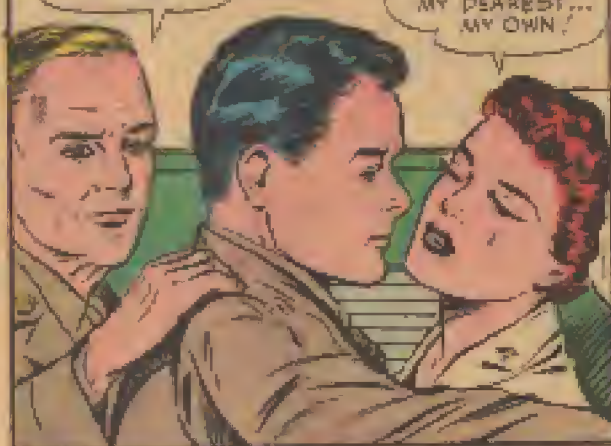
YOU... AREN'T LAUGHING, ARE YOU, MY DARLING? YOU'VE BEEN... CRYING!

DAVID! OH, DAVID, IF YOU ONLY KNEW HOW HARD IT WAS TO LAUGH! I THOUGHT MY HEART WAS GOING TO BREAK!



SOME DAY WE'LL BE ABLE TO TELL YOU WHAT HAPPENED, DAVID! RIGHT NOW, YOU'VE GOT TO LIE DOWN AND REST!

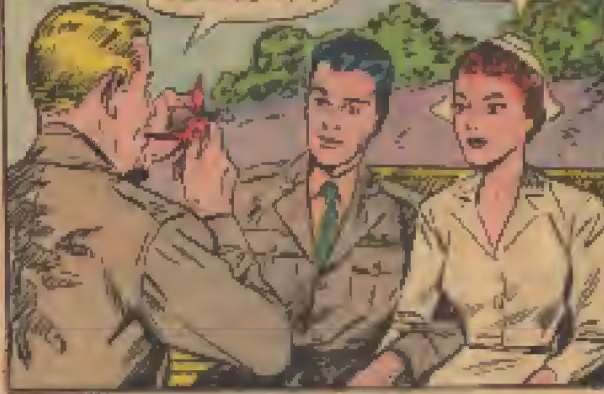
YOU DO LOVE ME! YOU ALWAYS DID! MY DEAREST... MY OWN!



David, didn't leave for the states the next morning! Dr. Wesley saw to that!

HOW LONG DID YOU SAY YOU'LL BE IN TOKYO, DORIS? I MEAN... BEFORE YOUR HITCH IS COMPLETED?

ABOUT SIX MORE MONTHS LEFT TO GO, DOCTOR!



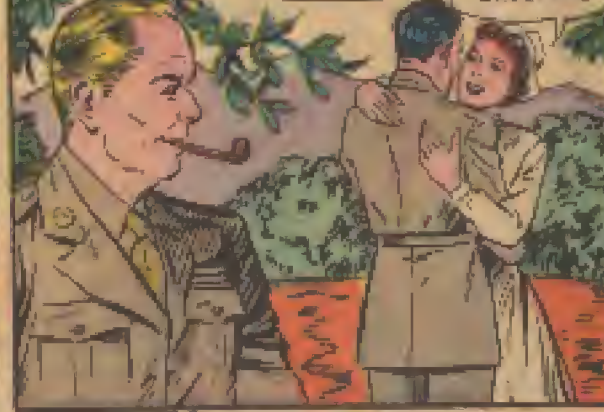
NOW THAT'S A COINCIDENCE! I DON'T THINK WE'LL BE READY TO RELEASE SGT. ALLEN FOR ANOTHER HALF A YEAR! THAT OUGHT TO LEAVE YOU ENOUGH TIME TO FIND A CHAPLAIN, DON'T YOU THINK?

WE'VE FOUND ONE, DR. WESLEY! AND WITH YOU AS OUR BEST MAN, IT OUGHT TO BE SOME WEDDING!



GIVING UP YOUR FREEDOM, SON? AN, WELL, YOU HAVE MY SYMPATHY!

SYMPATHY IS SOMETHING DAVID'S NEVER HAD ANY USE FOR! ALL HE NEEDS IS LOVE... AND I'LL SEE THAT HE GETS WHAT THE DOCTOR ORDERED!





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I Played CUPID

WHEN my sister, Gloria, quit her job in another city and came home, heartsick after an unhappy love, mother and I decided the best remedy was a new romance. The decision was easily come by, but action on it was still another matter. Gloria was a few years older than I and had lost touch with her old friends hereabout, so sister, Dale, had to do a bit of reconnoitering.

I was currently dating Bob Ebner, a tall, good looking mechanic. Bob was a lot of fun and had many friends but when I asked him to get a date for my sister, he assumed that horrified look that men get when you ask them to fix up a blind date. "Oh hand, I can't think of anyone, Dale," he said weakly. I nodded knowingly, "You're dodging, Bobby," I quipped. "okay, never mind. I'll find a way." He made no comment but I noted he sighed with relief. Lest anyone get the wrong idea of Gloria's attractiveness, I want to clear that up right now. She had been Queen of the Winter Carnival at college only two years before, with her lovely, glowing face on the cover of a nationally-read magazine. And Bob had been properly impressed when he'd met her, he admitted that.

During a lull at work the next day . . . I was pondering my problem when the boss buzzed for me. Moments later, in his office, I was looking at Russell K. Bois with a glint in my eye. Actually he had recently replaced my former boss who had moved up the ladder, and though I would have normally been somewhat agog over a handsome, new puppet, Gloria's plight had been holding my attention. "However," I mused, "he'd be just right for Gloria." "And if you can stay overtime tonight, Miss Weston, I would appreciate it," he was saying. I snapped out of it, "Of course, Mr. Bois."

Back at my desk I called Bob to break a dinner and movie date. He sounded disappointed. "Do me a favor, Bobby," I said impudently, "take Gloria out in my place." He agreed, laughing, "All right, but don't get me any further involved in your lonely

hearts crusade, Gloria." He then arranged to call for me at the office after the movie.

Mr. Bois and I had supper sent in and worked right through until eleven. I enjoyed working with him, he had a very pleasant personality and I had happy imaginings of him with Gloria. The arrival of Bob and Gloria a few minutes later was beautifully timed. Gloria looked radiant and I studied Mr. Bois's reaction when he met her. He found her attractive, I could see that, but the effect was somewhat spoiled when he greeted Bob effusively as an old classmate. Of course this called for a reunion celebration and we adjourned to a restaurant not too far from the office.

I felt that things were moving in the right direction and when Russ asked me to dance (we were all on a first name basis by then) I rather expected him to sing Gloria's praises just a bit. Instead he said, "Bob and your sister make a handsome pair." I must have looked non-plussed but I mumbled agreement and glanced over his shoulder. Yes, they did make a handsome couple, and Gloria seemed to be enjoying herself for the first time in months. Bob didn't even notice me looking at them in their bewitched state. And somehow I didn't care, I smiled up at Russ Bois, feeling that things were really just beginning for me.

And they were. I didn't bother to explain that Gloria and Bob weren't an item to begin with. And from then on we became a foursome by mutual agreement of everyone concerned. Russ and I saw each other all day at the office and could hardly wait to be together again in the evenings. "This is ridiculous, Dale," he murmured as he kissed me goodnight, a few months later, "why don't you marry me so we can be together always." I didn't waste words. Our small "Yes," was all it took. Bob and Gloria will be our best man and maid of honor and before long, I think they'll be joining the ranks of the happy young marrieds. I played cupid, and happily—it boomeranged!

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Why Did He Stand Me Up?

BUT MYRA! HONEY, I LOVE YOU! I SWEAR I WASN'T OUT WITH ANY OTHER GIRL LAST NIGHT! IT WAS ONLY AN OLD ARMY BUDDY!

OH, OF COURSE! SO YOU STAND ME UP ON THE MOST IMPORTANT DATE WE EVER HAD! WELL, SAVE YOUR STUPID LIES! I'M THROUGH WITH YOU...; SOB... FOREVER!

BEING IN LOVE WITH ED HANLEY WAS A WONDERFULLY THRILLING EXPERIENCE, WITH EACH DATE SWEETER THAN THE LAST!

HMM, YOU KNOW, THAT REMINDS ME OF SOMETHING I MEANT TO TAKE UP WITH YOU TONIGHT, MYRA!

YOU SOUND SO SOLEMN! WHAT IS IT, ED?

OH, NO, THIS IS A MATTER WE DON'T DISCUSS OUT ON A PUBLIC STREET! FOLLOW ME, PLEASE!

NOW WHY WOULD YOU BE LEADING ME TOWARD THAT DARK AND ROMANTIC PARK, I WONDER! I'M COMPLETELY MYSTIFIED!

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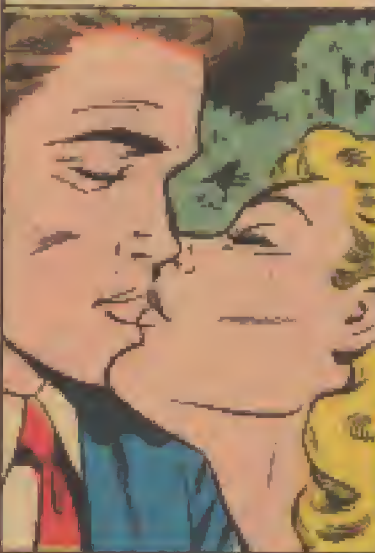
SHE WAS PART OF THE CRAZY FUN THAT FILLED OUR EVENINGS WITH JOY AND LAUGHTER!

THIS SHOULD BE ABOUT RIGHT! NOW HOLD THAT POSE!

SHOULDN'T I TIP MY FACE UP A LITTLE MORE? LIKE THIS...?



AS ALWAYS, ED'S KISS CONVINCED ME OF HOW VERY MUCH IN LOVE I WAS WITH HIM...



DO YOU LOVE ME, HONEY?

NOW THAT WIND SOME SORT OF PRIZE AS THE SILLIEST QUESTION OF THE YEAR, ED HANLEY!



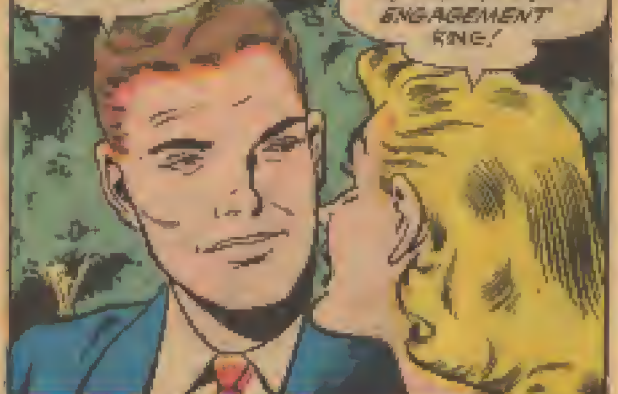
I JUST WANT TO GET THE FACTS, MA'AM! YOU SEE, TOMORROW IS GOING TO BE A RED LETTER DAY IN OUR LIVES!

OH, ED... WHAT DO YOU MEAN? WHAT'S GOING TO BE SO SPECIAL ABOUT TOMORROW?



TOMORROW'S PAYDAY AND SO I MAKE THE FINAL PAYMENT AND PICK UP A CERTAIN LITTLE ITEM THAT'S ROUND, SPARKLING AND BELONGS ON THE THIRD FINGER OF A GIRL'S LEFT HAND!

ED... A RING! AN ENGAGEMENT RING!



UH-UH... DON'T RUSH ME, BABY! JUST BE READY TO ANSWER WITH A DEFINITE DATE WHEN I POP A CERTAIN IMPORTANT QUESTION TOMORROW NIGHT!

OOO, IF YOU

THINK I'M NOT READY RIGHT NOW, YOU DON'T KNOW MUCH ABOUT HOW A GIRL IN LOVE CAN DREAM!



THEN I'M TAKING YOU HOME RIGHT NOW... BECAUSE THE QUICKER TODAY ENDS, THE SOONER TO-MORROW WILL COME!

THE TOMORROW I'VE LONGED FOR AND DREAMED OF FOR AN ETERNITY!



ED'S GOOD-NIGHT KISS HELD VOLUMES OF UN-SPOKEN PROMISE! IN HIS ARMS ALL THE FUTURE WAS A RARE AND SHINING PEARL BEYOND PRICE!



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THE NEXT DAY AT WORK...

OH, STOP

WHOOA! WAIT A MINUTE, GAIL! HOW ABOUT A DATE TONIGHT?

IT, CLIFF! I'VE TOLD YOU A HUNDRED TIMES. I DON'T CARE TO GO OUT WITH YOU!



I KNOW... YOUR HEART BELONGS TO A LUG NAMED ED HANLEY! ISN'T THAT IT?

THAT'S EXACTLY THE SITUATION, CLIFF! NOW, IF YOU WILL EXCUSE ME!



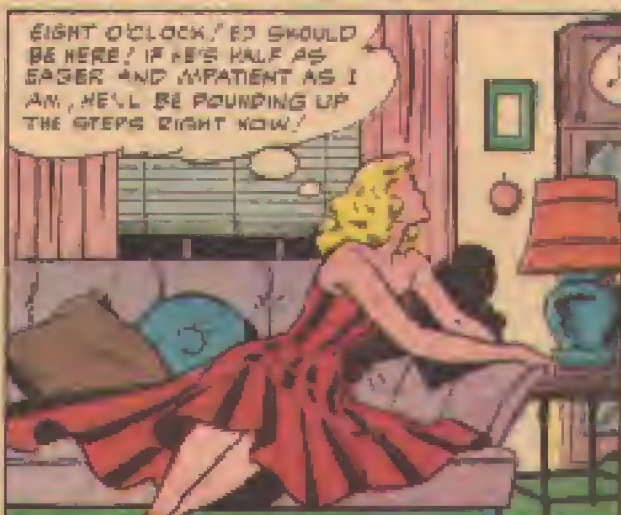
OKAY, WOMAN, BUT THE DAY WILL COME WHEN YOU'LL BEG OLD CLIFF NAYLOR TO TEACH YOU WHAT ROMANCE CAN REALLY OFFER!

WHY DON'T YOU GROW UP AND FIND YOURSELF A STEADY GIRL?

CLIFF SEEMED THE DAY WOULD NEVER END... BUT AT LAST IT WAS EVENING AND I WAS PREPARING FOR THE MOST WONDERFUL DATE OF ALL!



HE'S GOING TO PROPOSE TONIGHT! WE'VE UNDERSTOOD FOR A LONG TIME THAT WE'D BE MARRIED... BUT ED WANTS TO DO IT THE FORMAL WAY! HE'S SO WONDERFUL!



EIGHT O'CLOCK! ED SHOULD BE HERE! IF HE'S HALF AS EAGER AND IMPATIENT AS I AM, HE'LL BE POUNDING UP THE STEPS RIGHT NOW!



ONE HOUR LATER, I WAS STILL WAITING...

NINE O'CLOCK!

ED WAS NEVER THIS LATE BEFORE! HE... HE MUST HAVE HAD TROUBLE GETTING THE RING!



ONE HOUR LATER I WAS TORN BETWEEN ANGUISH AND TERROR!

TEN O'CLOCK! SOMETHING'S HAPPENED TO ED! MAYBE THERE WAS AN ACCIDENT! HE'S SOMEWHERE NEEDING ME! WANTING ME! I JUST KNOW IT!



I'LL CALL THE POLICE! TH- THEY'LL KNOW OF ANY ACCIDENTS!

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OH! THAT BOOM WELD THE RECEIVER OFF THE HOOK! THE PHONE IS DEAD! IT'S ALMOST TIME FOR THE LOCAL NEWS ON TV! TH- THEY REPORT BAD ACCIDENTS!



WELL, TREMBLING HANDS I TURNED ON THE SET! THE DANCE PROGRAM FROM THE CRYSTAL CLUB WAS JUST ENDING!

ANOTHER FIFTEEN MINUTES OF FUN FROM THE GAY CRYSTAL CLUB!



OH! THAT'S ED... DANCING WITH A STRANGE GIRL! WHILE I W-WAIT AND WORRY, HE'S OUT H-HAVING FUN WITH SOMEONE ELSE!

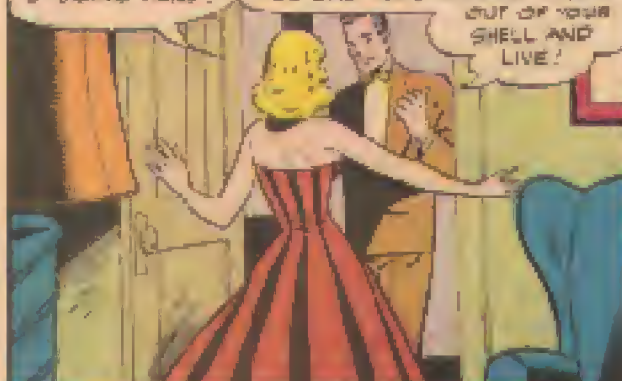
OH! THAT BLEAK AND TERRIBLE MOMENT, MY WHOLE GOLDEN CASTLE OF DREAMS CAME TUMB- LING-DOWN!

IS- OH, ED! HOW COULD YOU BE SO CRUEL? TH- THIS WAS TO BE OUR NIGHT OF N-NIGHTS! I-I LOVED YOU SO... BUT I HATE YOU NOW! TH- THERE'S THE DOORBELL!



CLIFF NAYLOR! WHAT ARE YOU D-DOING HERE?

HI, BABY! I SAW YOUR LIGHT AS I DROVE BY! I FIGURED I'D GIVE YOU ONE MORE CHANCE TO BUST OUT OF YOUR SHELL AND LIVE!



OH, GO AWAY AND... WAIT! CLIFF! YES, I'LL GO OUT WITH YOU! T-TAKE ME TO THE CRYSTAL CLUB! I W-WANT TO DANCE AND LAUGH! I'LL GET MY WRAP!

WELL, I'LL BE A DIRTY BIRD!



I HURRIED OUT WITH ONLY ONE THOUGHT IN MY MIND... TO KISS ED HANLEY AS HE HAD KISSED ME... TO SHOW HIM I DON'T CARE!

MYRA, HONEY... WAIT! I'VE TRIED AND TRIED TO PHONE YOU! I HAD TO HELP AN OLD ARMY BUDDY FROM KOREA OUT OF A BAD JAM AND...

I O-SAW YOUR OLD ARMY BUDDY AND G-SHE'S VERY ATTRACTIVE! I H-HOPE YOU HAD FUN! NOW IT'S MY TURN TO ENJOY MYSELF!



WELL, CLIFF... DON'T YOU USUALLY WINNIE A GIRL WHEN YOU TAKE HER OUT DANCING?

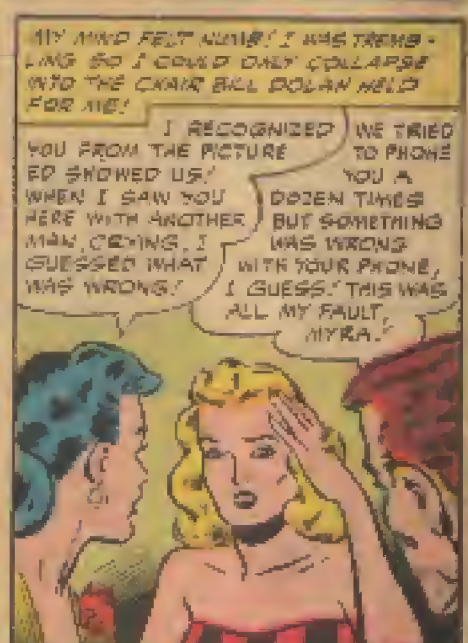
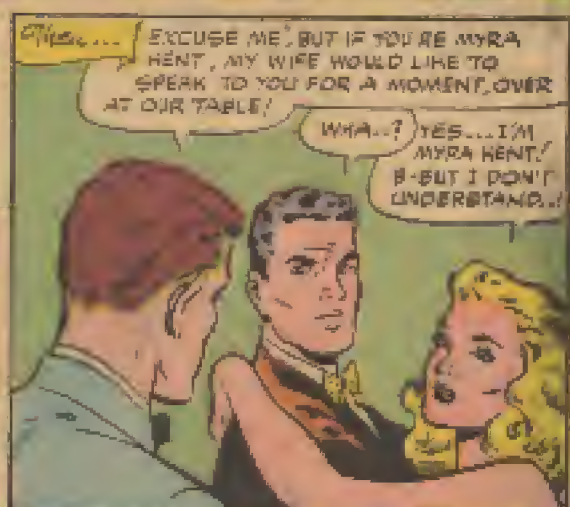
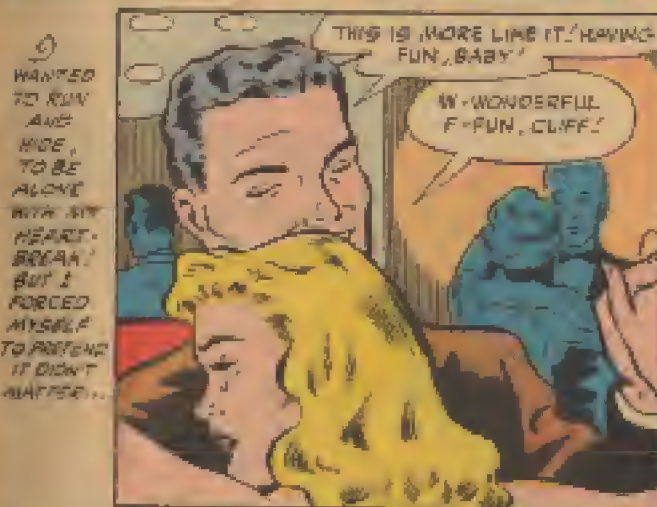
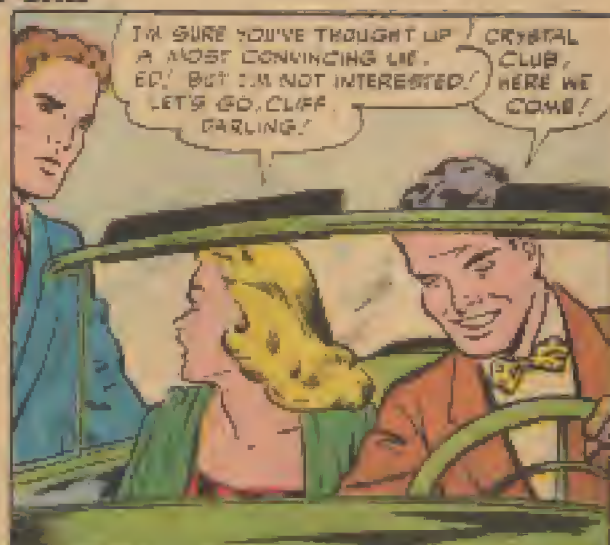
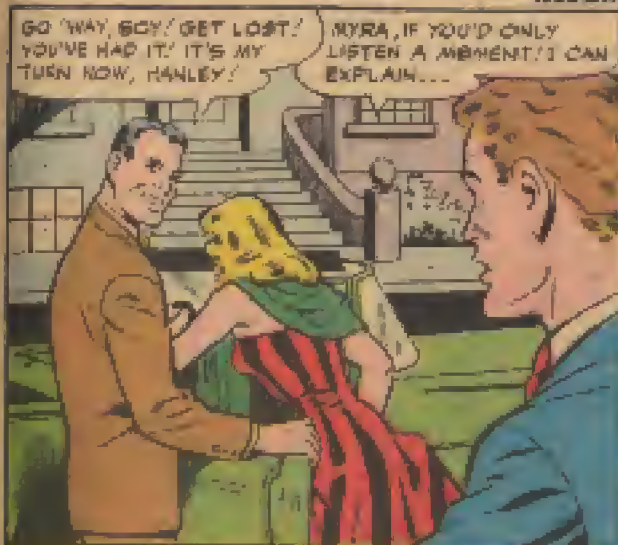
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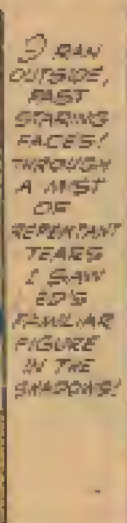
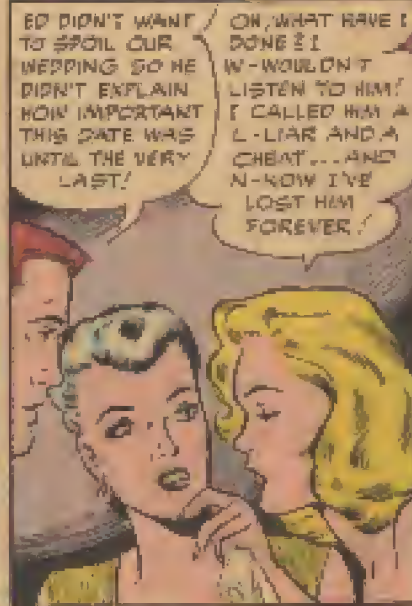
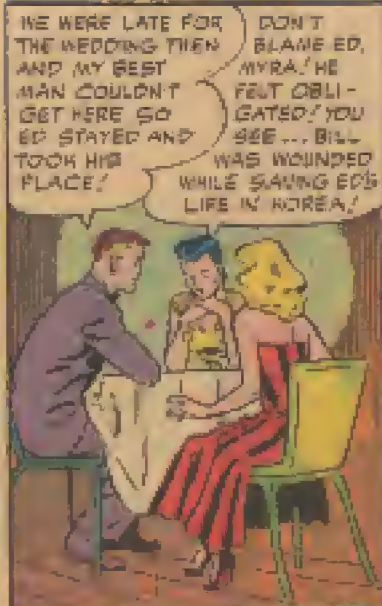
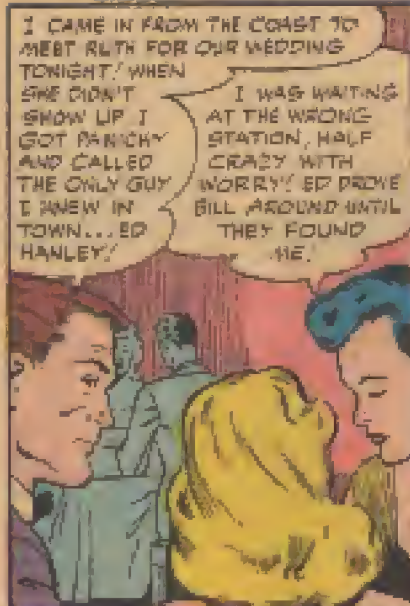
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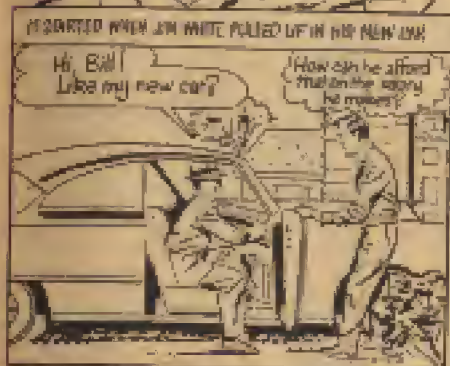
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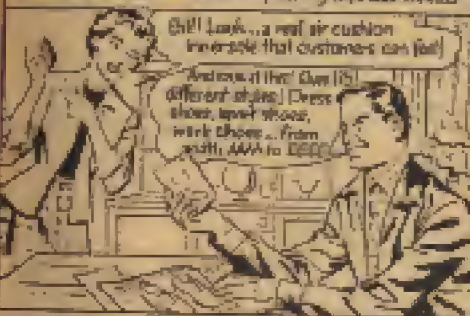
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